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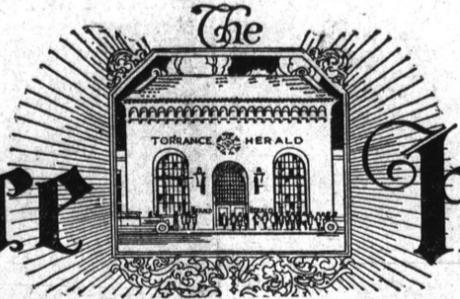


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## DECEMBER STEEL SHIPMENTS BIGGEST IN LOCAL HISTORY

Lanz Sees Good Year Ahead and Says Torrance Is Busiest Industrial City of Size In Country

December shipments from the Columbia Steel Company at Torrance were the largest of any month in the history of the local mills, totaling 10,517 tons, B. W. Lanz told members of the Torrance chamber of commerce Tuesday evening at the quarterly meeting of the members. Mr. Lanz is president of the Chamber of Commerce and general manager of the Columbia plant in Torrance.

Torrance is the busiest city of its size in the country, employment here being 40 per cent better than other steel centers. We are now working 1550 people at our Columbia plant, and plan to take on more," Lanz stated. The present favorable conditions are bound to get better, and with the business now "in the fire," we should enjoy a good 1934, Lanz added.

President Lanz also stated that the Columbia Steel Company and other local industries were doing everything possible to encourage employees to live in Torrance, and asked that merchants and other business men in turn give their support to the industries and help them with their problems.

Trade Talk  
President Lanz' introductory remarks were followed by a talk by Harry Crites, domestic trade commissioner of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Crites gave an interesting report of the activities of the Los Angeles chamber's field representatives' work in Wyoming, Idaho and Texas.

Criticizes Water  
Prior to his assignment to the domestic trade department of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Crites was associated with the industrial division of that body. He spoke of making numerous trips to Torrance with industrial leaders who were seeking locations on the coast. He stated that a strenuous effort was made to locate the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company in Torrance, and that he had made several trips to Torrance with President Beckel of the huge glass factory. Mr. Crites attributed the water condition in Torrance as being responsible for the failure to locate the glass plant here. Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company has since erected a large plant at Santa Ana.

Local Issues  
A general discussion of local problems by members of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce concluded the very interesting meeting. Among the issues discussed were the housing shortage, necessity for contacting adjoining retail trade area, and a method of keeping out fly-by-night business firms who start up with little or no capital, grab off the cream of the holiday trade, and then leave a long list of debts. President Lanz promised to discuss such matters with other chamber directors in an effort to solve the problems.

PLATE GLASS WINDOW  
BROKEN ON CABRILLO  
One of four boys, roller skating on Cabrillo avenue Saturday afternoon, was said to be responsible for breaking a plate glass window in the vacant store building at 1501 Cabrillo avenue. The lad accidentally ran against the glass while turning around the corner.

CAR STOLEN  
H. J. Bradley reported the theft of a 1931 Nash sedan, stolen from in front of the Mayfair Apartments on Saturday, January 13. The matter was turned over to the sheriff's auto theft detail, but as yet the car has not been recovered.

An Appeal  
To All Citizens  
of Torrance and Vicinity—  
"I earnestly request you to give your whole-hearted support in the purchase and sale of tickets for the National-wide Birthday Ball for the President, to be held at the Hollywood Riviera Club on January 30.  
"Proceeds derived from the same are going to such a worthy cause, it behooves every one of us to put forth our best efforts in making this the largest social affair of its kind ever held in our community.  
"Let our slogan be—'We are behind you 100 per cent, Mr. President!'"

"BEVERLY B. SMITH,  
"President Torrance  
Democratic Club,  
"Chairman of the  
"Arrangements."

## Progress Made On Water Loan

Trip to San Francisco Is Successful Despite Protest of Klusman

A fast trip to San Francisco by airplane was made Tuesday by Mayor C. Earl Conner and City Engineer F. R. Leonard in the interests of the city's \$375,000 water system loan from the PWA.

At a special meeting of the city council held Monday to authorize traveling expenses of the trip, Councilman Klusman, who on previous occasions has attempted to obstruct progress on the water loan, again "showed his hand" by charging that the trip was unnecessary and the expense involved invalid. He created quite a furore at the council meeting and charged that the trip was a "junket." In his excitement Councilman Klusman tipped his hand by saying in part, "I object to this whole issue of \$375,000."

Mayor Conner explained that he had been "advised by high public officials in Washington to contact a certain gentleman in San Francisco who has had and will still have to do with our federal loan application."

That Mayor Conner and City Engineer Leonard were satisfied with the progress they made at San Francisco was evidenced by the broad smiles that encircled their faces upon their return. When asked about the trip, Mayor Conner reported that satisfactory progress had been made. Because of the confidential nature of the negotiations, Mayor Conner stated he could not go into detail at this time.

## Local Red Cross Headquarters to Move Next Week

Storeroom at 1610 Cabrillo Avenue Will Be Used For Relief Work

Red Cross headquarters, now located in the store building at 1605 Gramerey avenue, formerly occupied by Graham Bros., will move to 1610 Cabrillo avenue into the storeroom vacated by Hurum E. Beeve, and will be ready for business at the new location next Thursday, January 25.

Mrs. Corinne Collins, in charge of Red Cross work here, has also changed residences, and is now living at Apartment C, 2305 Torrance boulevard. She moved from her address at 2418 Sonoma avenue a short time ago.

Mrs. Collins reports substantial contributions to the Red Cross on behalf of flood sufferers, which she delivered last week to the headquarters in Los Angeles from where the donations were distributed in the Montrose and Glendale sections. Other flood sufferers who are in need of aid are located in Idaho and Washington.

Los Angeles county flood conditions as well as those in Idaho and Washington, have necessitated the Red Cross, being called in for service and relief. The rehabilitation of the flood sufferers will require thousands of dollars and the emergency feeding and housing is over.

## Legislative Group City Teachers Club Meets In Torrance

The legislative committee of the harbor section of the City Teachers Club will meet in Torrance Thursday afternoon, January 18, at the auditorium of the Torrance elementary school. The session will be called to order at 3:30 p. m.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lilly, of the Orange street school, Lomita, is chairman of the harbor legislative committee and general treasurer. She will be in charge of the meeting, which will bring discussions of legislative matters affecting teachers.

## Open Law Offices Here



James E. Bates

Torrance C. Welch and James E. Bates, attorneys, this week announced the opening of offices in the First National Bank building in Torrance for the general practice of law, under the firm name of Welch and Bates.

Mr. Welch, who is a nephew and one of the principal heirs of the late Jared Slidner,

practices in both Montana and California courts the same year. In 1929, Mr. Bates was admitted to the federal courts. For the past six years he has maintained a private law office in Los Angeles, his practice being chiefly cases involving domestic relations and corporation law. He is attorney for the Passion-Fruit Cooperative Association in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Bates were busy this week establishing a residence in Torrance, where they will make their home, and take part in civic and social life. Mr. Bates is a member of the Missoula Lodge No. 13, A. F. & A. M.

## HARBOR CHAMBERS PROMOTE TWO IMPORTANT OBJECTIVES

Bridge Over Flood Control At Carson Street and Local Control of Beaches to Be Boosted During the Coming Months

Making the eighth time that the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce have held their installation ceremonies in Torrance, recently elected officers of that group took over the reins at the meeting held at the Woman's clubhouse, 1422 Engracia, last Thursday evening, January 11.

Carl L. Hyde, re-elected president, heads the staff and his aides are Ray O. Baldwin, Long Beach, first vice president; Loren H. Hawthorne, second vice president; Mayor John H. Clarke, Redondo Beach, third vice president; Leslie C. Mott, San Pedro, fourth vice president; Thomas Blair, Redondo Beach, fifth vice president; Hugh B. Johnston, Gardena, secretary; George P. Larson, West Los Angeles, treasurer.

John R. Quinn, chairman of the board of supervisors, turned over the gavel to Hyde, and framed his installation speech in most complimentary terms. Quinn overlooked none of the incoming officers in introducing them to the assemblage of 200 members and guests, but recommended them highly for their past performances and their qualifications for office.

Prior to the installation ceremonies, A. E. Henning read the minutes of the business session which disclosed the fact that the harbor group will make two or three important projects their main objective for the coming year. Opposition to construction of concessions on public beaches against the will of municipalities concerned will be stressed in an effort to obtain legislation prohibiting such buildings. A situation at Santa Monica, where concessions have been refused permits by the city government only to have the refusal nullified by issuance of state permits, brings this proposition to the forefront in plans for local control of public recreational areas.

Early completion of a bridge over the flood control at Carson street as a part of the opening of Sepulveda and La Tijera boulevards as state highways, will also be promoted by the harbor organization.

President Hyde in his speech of acceptance, pledged himself again to the purposes for which the harbor chambers are organized and appealed to the membership to transact all business at the regular business sessions, and to

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## Extend Time For Reorganization of Bank, Feb. 11

Delay in Preparing Legal Forms By Government Prompts Extension

Release of details concerning the reorganization of the First National Bank of Torrance as approved by the comptroller of the currency, awaits only the arrival of authorized forms from Washington, J. W. Post, conservator of the bank, said this morning.

Because of the delay in preparing the necessary forms by the federal legal department, Mr. Post was advised by telegram this week that the time limit for consummating the reorganization plan had been advanced to February 11. As soon as these legal forms are received from Washington, depositors will be contacted and complete details of the plan explained, Mr. Post added.

## Supervised Play Provided At Park

Hey, kids! Come on out Saturday and play at the ball park!

Arrangements have been made by the playground and recreation department to provide men and women supervisors at the municipal park all day Saturday to direct supervised play. It was announced this morning by R. R. Smith, director.

Mr. Smith requests that if there are any young men in Torrance now at work on CWA projects who are qualified to act as playground supervisors that they apply to him at the National Supply Company employment office for a transfer. He emphasized that only men who now have work orders could be transferred.

## Neighbors' Quarrel Aired In Local Court

An altercation between Will Griffiths and Samuel Johnston, neighbors, residing in Lomita, which resulted in a broken arm for Johnston, was aired in the Lomita justice court this week when Johnston preferred charges of assault, a felony, against Griffiths. Attorney C. T. Hippy appeared for the defendant, and Deputy District Attorney John W. Houcks prosecuted. On hearing the evidence, the prosecuting attorney recommended that the felony charge be dismissed, which was done.

## Veterans Relief Show Next Week

According to Mrs. Caroline Collins, of the Torrance Relief Society, that organization is not sponsoring the entertainment to be given next Thursday evening at the Woman's clubhouse, tickets for which are said to bear the imprint, "for the benefit of the Torrance Relief."

## Large Attendance At Democratic Club

Fifty delegates to the regular 21-monthly meeting of the Democratic Club were entertained at dinner at Earl's Cafe, Thursday evening, January 11, and took part in an important business session afterwards. Representatives from clubs all over the district were present. Honorable John Rawls, assemblyman from the 68th district, was an honored guest.

## Nurse Is Injured In Auto Accident

Dense fog on Sunday night caused an accident near Torrance which severely injured Miss Hazel Barnett, nurse at the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital. Miss Barnett was returning from Los Angeles when her car struck another car parked without lights in the middle of the highway near this city. She received several bad gashes on the forehead which required 11 stitches to close.

## THIRTY STUDENTS GRADUATE AT MID-YEAR FROM TORRANCE

Winter Graduates Get Diplomas At the Close of the Present Semester On February 2; Largest Winter Class In Some Years

Thirty students of Torrance high school will graduate from this institution with the close of the first semester on February 2. This is one of the largest groups to complete their studies at the mid-year period.

Arrangements for a suitable program to mark the event for the outgoing students are now being made.

The list includes: Bruno Adamoli, Emilio Adamoli, Walter Leslie Amyrauld, Horace M. Andrews, Paul Batovsky, Trieste C. Brizanti, Francis Eugene Carnahan, Robert Willard Dawson, Billy Denny, John J. Elder, La Prael Harris, Shizuko Kazama, George Yoshio Kubo, Anna Gertrude Lovell, Norma K. McCord, Mack V. Vladimir, K. Mienovitch, Russell Quigley, Edith Riley, Genevieve Dolores Riley, Raymond Cornelius J. Feet, Elsie M. Price, Lillian Gladys Smith, Harold Jean Tolson, Gale Traver, Eugene K. Walker, Earl Eldridge Warrington, Jr., Muriel M. White and Eldon J. Zanon.

## Widow of Former Vicar Passes Away

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Margaret C. Swift, of La Crescenta, who passed away January 16, will be held tomorrow, January 19, at 2 o'clock from St. Mark's Episcopal church, Glendale. Mrs. Swift was the widow of Rev. Thomas P. Swift, former vicar of St. Andrew's Episcopal church in Torrance, and leaves one daughter, Mrs. Edna Keim, of Westwood Village, and one son, Dr. Edward Swift, of Glendale. Many friends in Torrance will regret to learn of her demise.

## SIX LOMITA CHILDREN ARE BITTEN SUNDAY BY MAD DOG

Animal Attacks Small Child, Bites Two Others Who Attempt to Drive it Away; Other Persons Warned to Seek Aid if Bitten by Same Dog

Six Lomita children are known to have been bitten Sunday by a small dog which died the following day, and which on examination at the county health department in Torrance showed unmistakable evidence of being afflicted with rabies.

The children are Darlene Johnson, age 21 months; Harold Johnson, age 14, residing at 2450 255th street; three children of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Goodenow, proprietors of a service station at the corner of Pennsylvania and Redondo-Wilmington boulevards, and Richard Mading.

The dog, said to belong in the neighborhood, attacked the Johnson boy and in the effort to drive it away Harold Johnson, younger Mading and the latter's dog were also bitten.

Whether other persons and animals in that section had been bitten by the dog is not known, but if such is the case the injured parties and owners of injured animals are warned to take immediate steps to guard against the danger that threatens them.

According to health officers, an unusual outbreak of rabies exists in the state and the menace is particularly heavy in the southwest portion from Inglewood down. More cases of rabies have been reported in this section this winter than have occurred for a number of years.

Communication of the germ is made through an open wound, either by the teeth or claws of an animal suffering from the disease, or it may be contracted through a cut or scratch on the skin.

Many persons are not aware of the danger.

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## Who Remembers When

The postoffice occupied the largest building in Torrance, where was it located and who was its first postmaster?

A certain triangular lot in the downtown district was called the "Torrance Wastebasket," where was it located and why so called? The First National Bank occupied its first quarters, when and where?

Who purchased the first piece of property in Torrance and to what use was the property put?

What street in Torrance is named for a man who was formerly the head of one of the largest industries and where is the street located?